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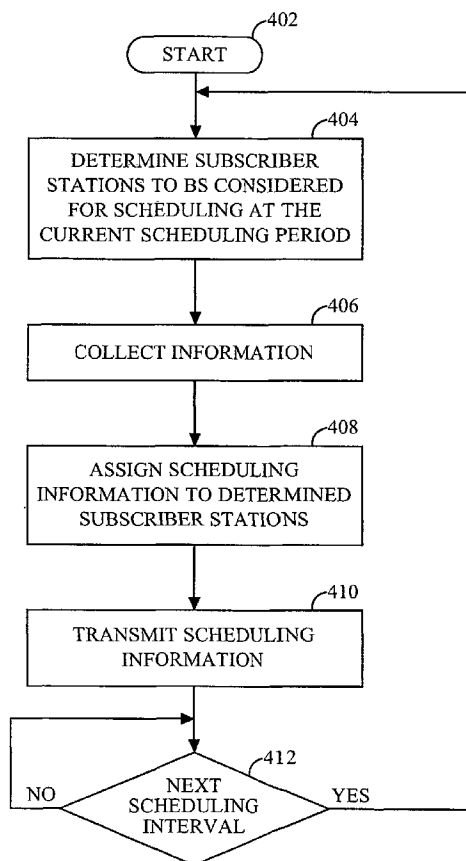
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(57) Abstract: Method and apparatus for predictive scheduling in a bi-directional communication system are disclosed. In a communication system (100), a control unit (218) has knowledge that a subscriber station (106) will have data to be transmitted at an ascertainable time in the future. The control unit in the communication system utilizes the knowledge to schedule the data transmission without the need for the subscriber station to transmit to request schedule for the transmission.



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